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**POLYMER** 

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is a Form PTO-1449, being submitted prior to the first Office Action on the merits. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the remarks and references set forth herein.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- copy of Form PTO-1449
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## **REMARKS**

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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A copy of the International Search Report for PCT/US01/45001, a counterpart international application, is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Applicant believes that no fee is required for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 06-1050. If necessary, please deduct any necessary additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858 678 5070.

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